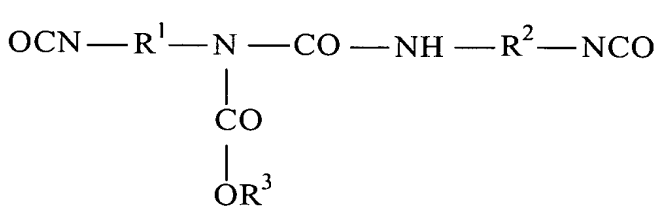
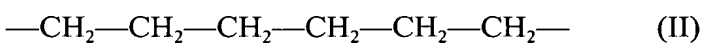
diisocyanate of formula (Ia) is:



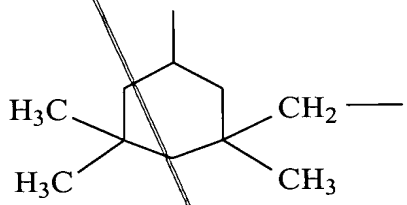
(I)

wherein each of R^1 and R^2 has formula (II):



(II)

diisocyanate of formula (Ib) wherein, in formula (I), one of R^1 or R^2 has formula (II) and the other radical has formula (III):



(III)

diisocyanate of formula (Ic) wherein, in formula (I), each of R^1 and R^2 has formula (III);

R^3 is a 5- or 6-membered cycloalkyl radical in which up to three hydrogen atoms are optionally substituted by C_1-C_4-alkyl groups and one or two ring carbon atoms are optionally substituted by direct attachment of oxygen of an oxygen-containing functional group or a tertiary nitrogen atom substituted by two C_1-C_4-alkyl groups;

a C_1-C_4-alkyl radical in which one hydrogen atom of the alkyl radical is substituted by a 5- or 6-membered cycloalkyl radical in which up to three hydrogen atoms are optionally substituted by C_1-C_4-alkyl groups and one or two ring carbon atoms are optionally substituted by direct attachment of oxygen of an oxygen-containing functional group or a tertiary nitrogen